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BLUE

DISPLACED IN TIME, THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, BEAST, ICEMAN AND ANGEL--HAVE COME TOGETHER ONCE MORE TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT THOUGH MANY THINGS HAVE CHANGED, ONE CONSTANT REMAINS: THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

PREVIOUSLY IN **X-MEN BLUE...**

STEVE ROGERS, A.K.A. CAPTAIN AMERICA, HAS CLAIMED THE UNITED STATES FOR HYDRA. EARTH'S MOST POWERFUL HEROES HAVE BEEN STRANDED BEYOND EARTH'S PLANETARY DEFENSE SHIELD OR TRAPPED INSIDE THE DARKFORCE BUBBLE THAT ENVELOPS MANHATTAN.

XORN AND EMMA FROST NEGOTIATED WITH HYDRA FOR A SOVEREIGN MUTANT NATION IN ORDER TO KEEP MUTANTS SAFE. NEW TIAN IS LESS IDYLIC THAN IT LOOKS ON THE SURFACE--WHEN DISSIDENTS OF THE NEW REGIME BEGAN BEING ROUNDED UP, JEAN GREY AND HER TEAM ATTEMPTED TO FREE THEM...ONLY FOR THE X-MEN TO BE ATTACKED BY NEW TIAN'S STRIKE FORCE, LED BY NONE OTHER THAN HAVOK, SCOTT'S BROTHER.

SCOTT, BOBBY, WARREN AND HANK HAVE BEEN CAPTURED, FORCING JEAN AND JIMMY TO LAUNCH A RESCUE AIDED BY FELLOW X-MAN, DANGER. BUT EVEN WITH THE EXTRA SUPPORT, HAVOK PROVED TO BE TOO POWERFUL FOR THE TWO TEENS UNTIL UNEXPECTED HELP ARRIVED IN THE FORM OF POLARIS--MAGNETO'S DAUGHTER AND HAVOK'S EX-GIRLFRIEND...

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MARVEL GIRL
JEAN GREY



CYCLOPS
SCOTT SUMMERS



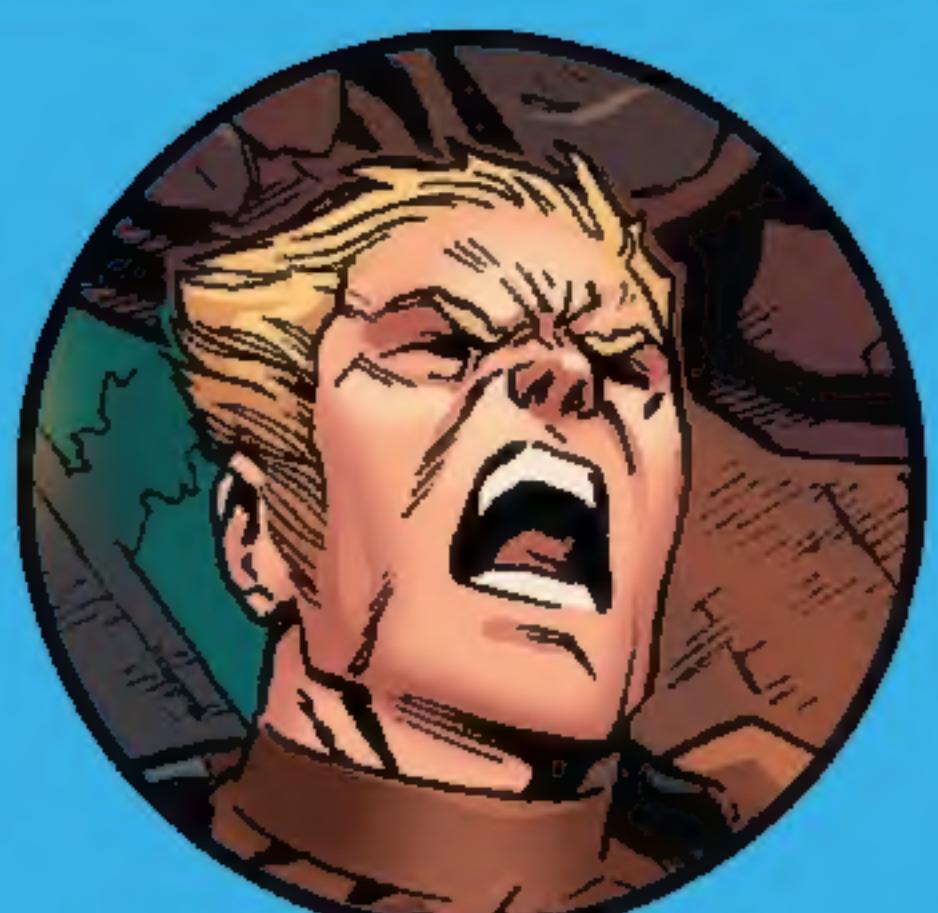
ANGEL
WARREN WORTHINGTON III



BEAST
HANK MCCOY



ICEMAN
BOBBY DRAKE



JIMMY HUDSON

SOMETIMES WHEN YOU'RE ONE OF THE X-MEN...YOU HAVE TO RAID A CASTLE OR TWO.

UTOPIA.
NEW TIAN.
THE SOVEREIGN MUTANT NATION.

IN THIS CASE, THE CASTLE BELONGS TO A GROUP THAT'S TRYING TO STAKE A CLAIM FOR MUTANTS IN THIS UPSIDE-DOWN WORLD OF OURS.

THAT'S A GOOD THING, RIGHT?

ONLY THEY'RE IMPRISONING ANYONE WITH A DISSENTING VOICE...

...INCLUDING MUTANTS...

...INCLUDING THE X-MEN.

THAT'S HOW WE GOT TO THE WHOLE "RAIDING A CASTLE" SCENARIO.

IT'S A RESCUE MISSION.

OF COURSE, THAT MEANS THAT AT SOME POINT THIS LITTLE ADVENTURE IS GOING TO BRING US INTO A DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH EMMA FROST--THE WHITE QUEEN.

AND THAT KINDA STINKS.

SHE'S A LITTLE UNHINGED...BUT SHE'S TRICKY.

THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT KIND OF MAN-EATING RABBIT SHE'S GOING TO PULL OUT OF HER HAT.

LUCKILY, WE HAVE A FEW TRICKS OF OUR OWN.

TH-THAT'S POLARIS!

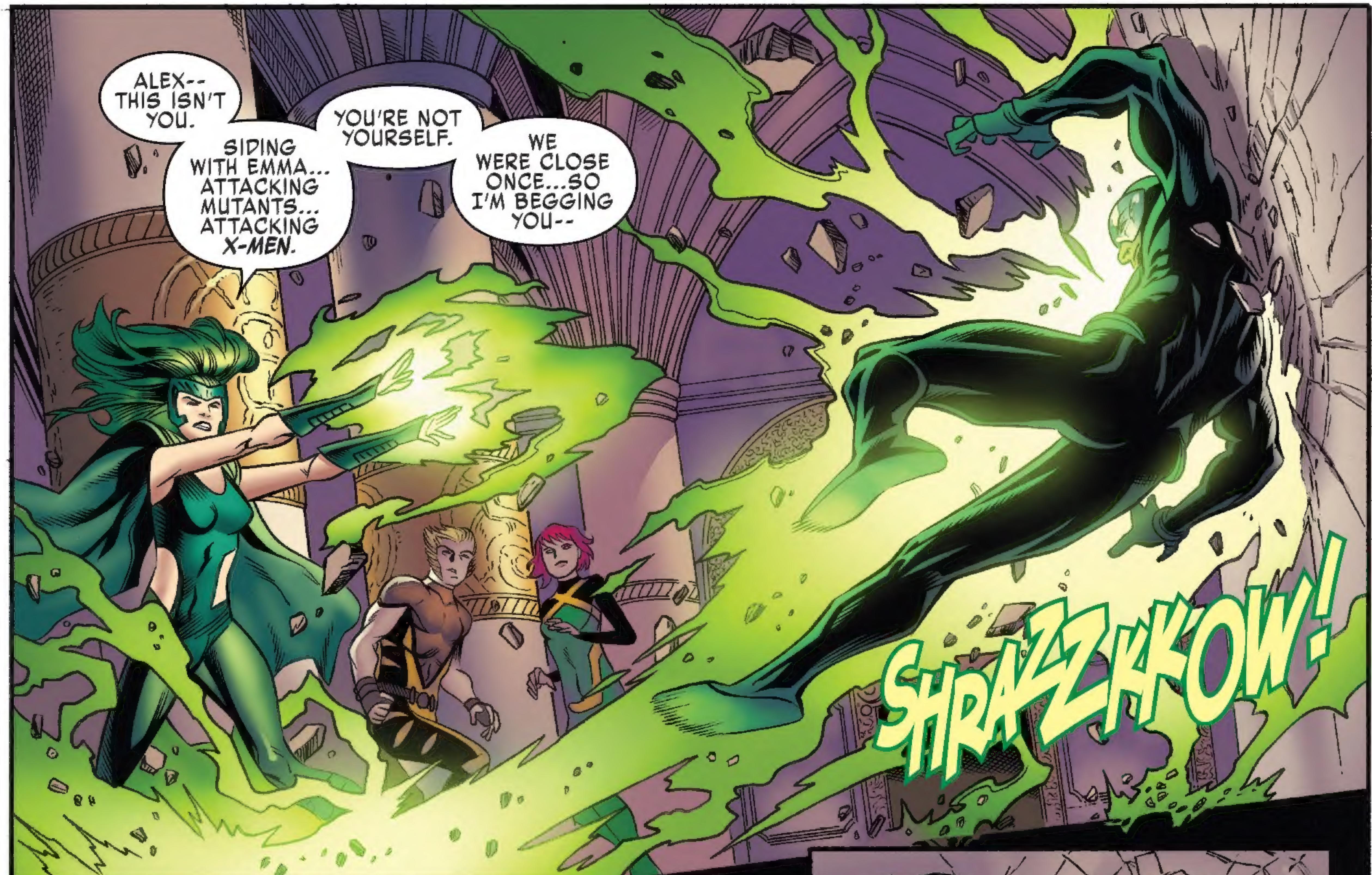
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MAGNETO HAS KIDS?

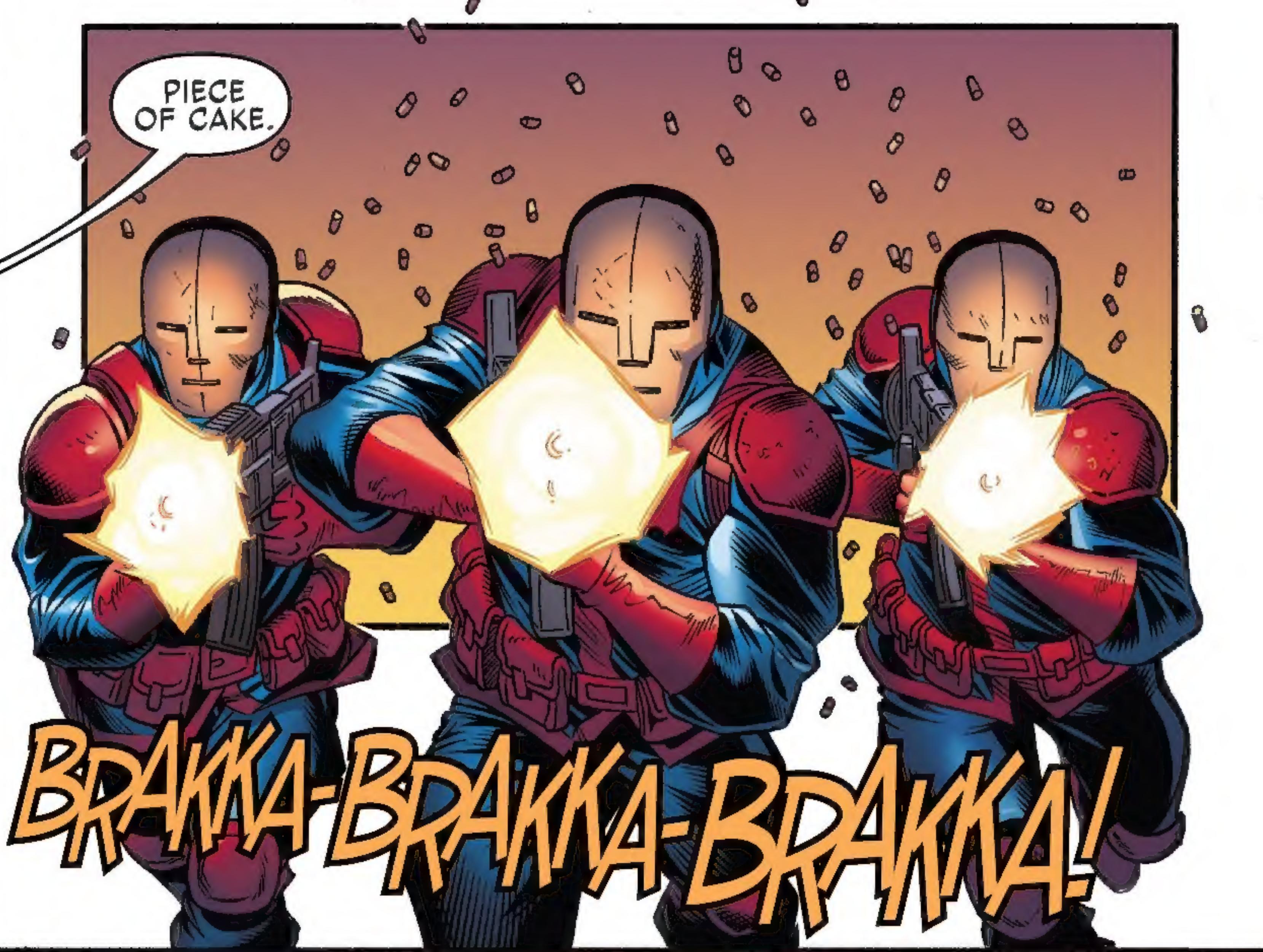
I GUESS SO. NOT AS MANY AS HE USED TO. IT'S COMPLICATED.

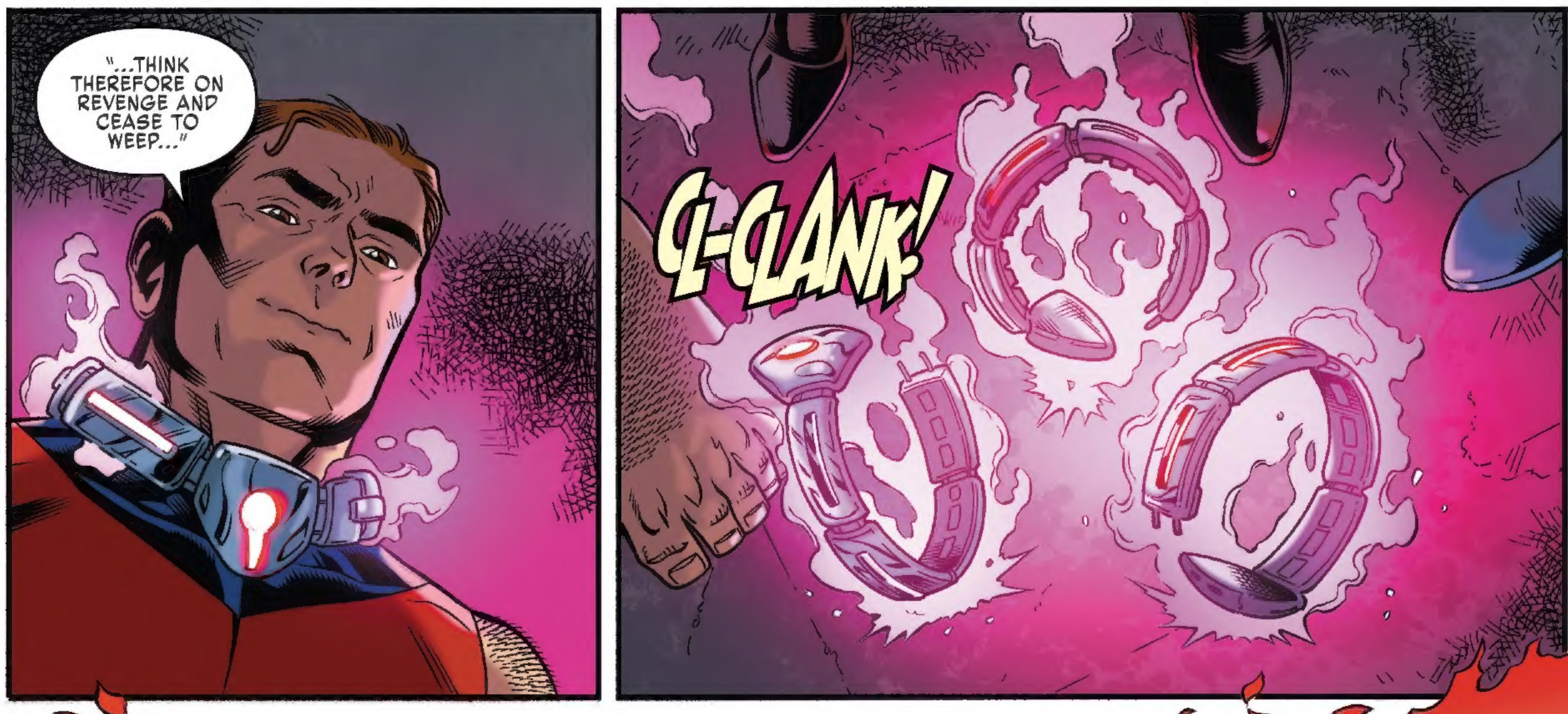
"BUT IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'S ON OUR SIDE..."

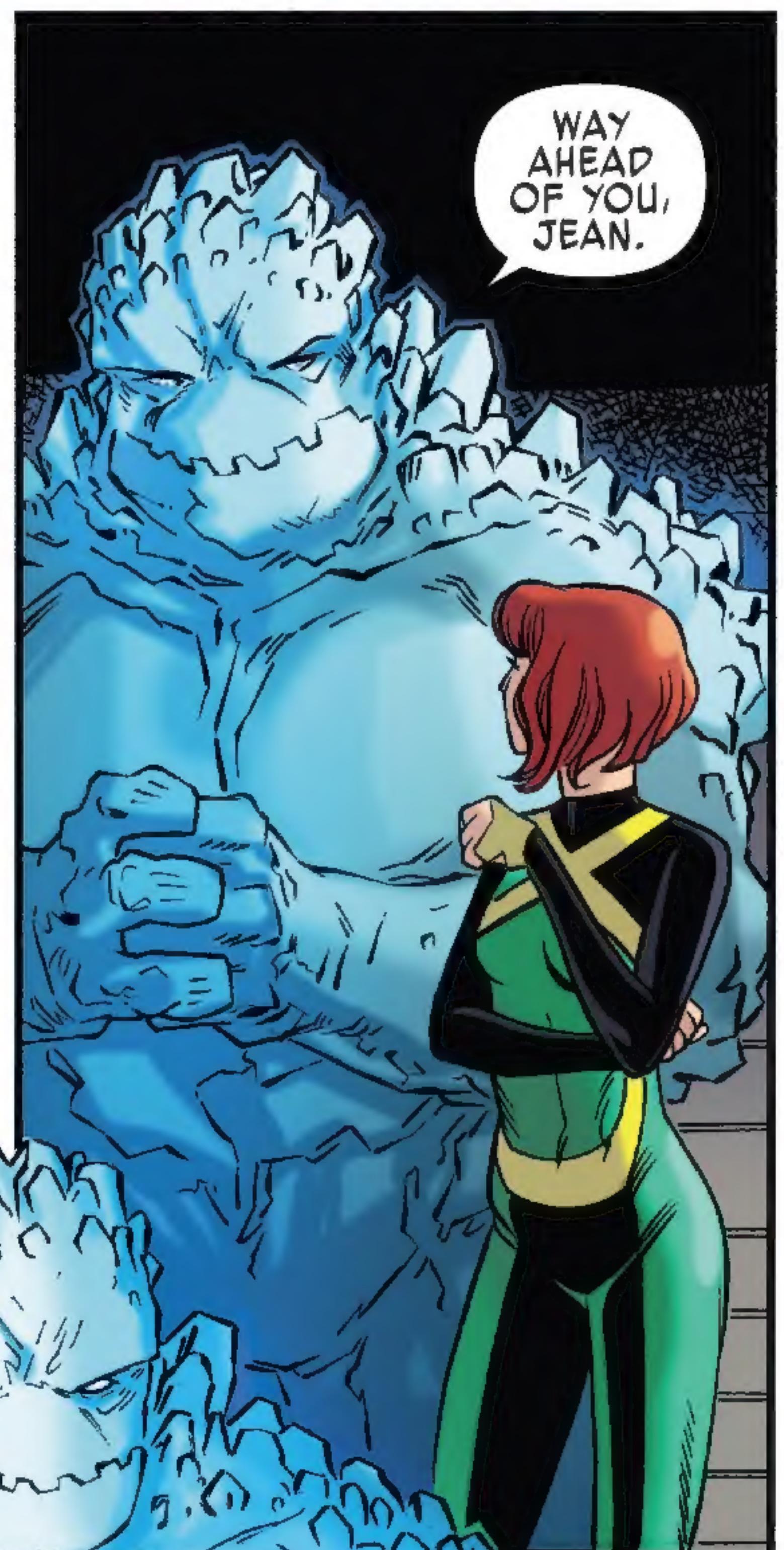
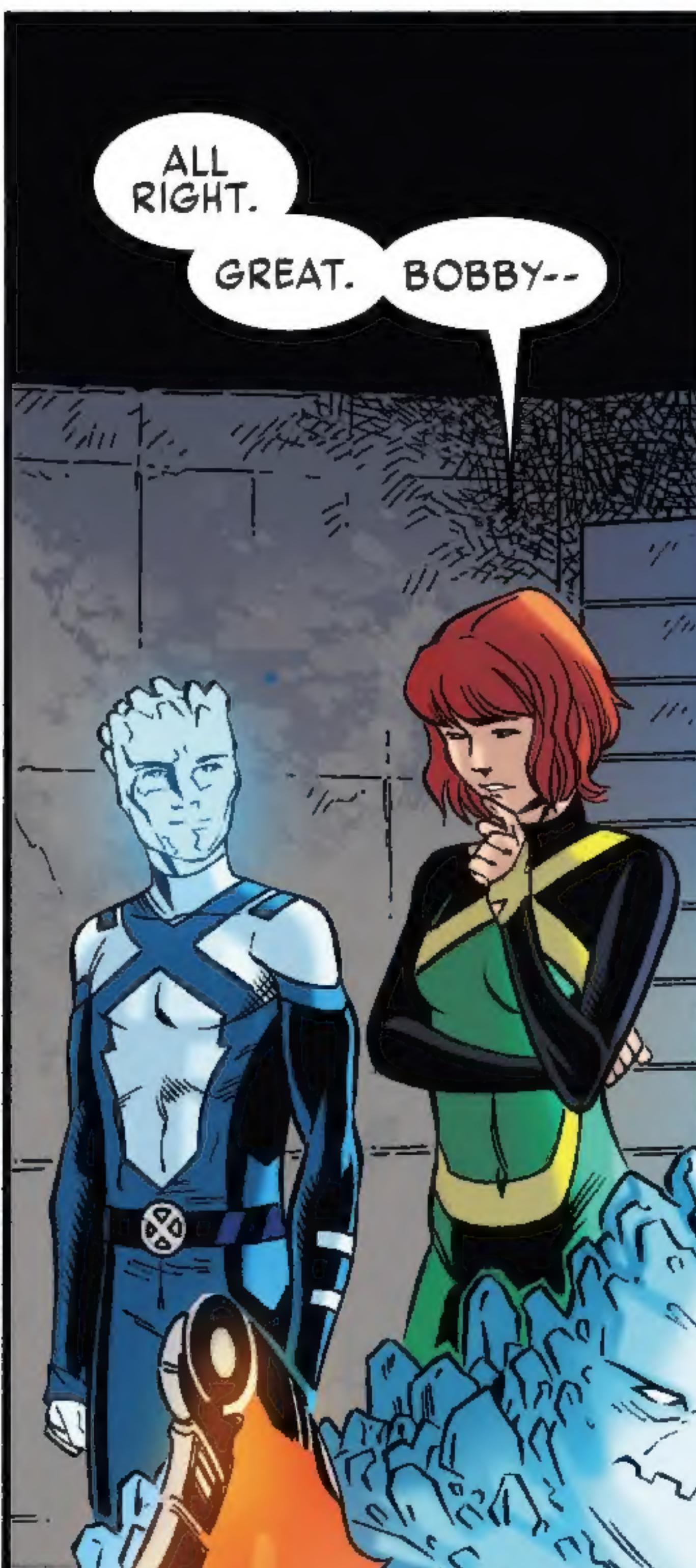
"...SO YAY FOR DADDY'S LITTLE MISTRESS OF MAGNETISM!"



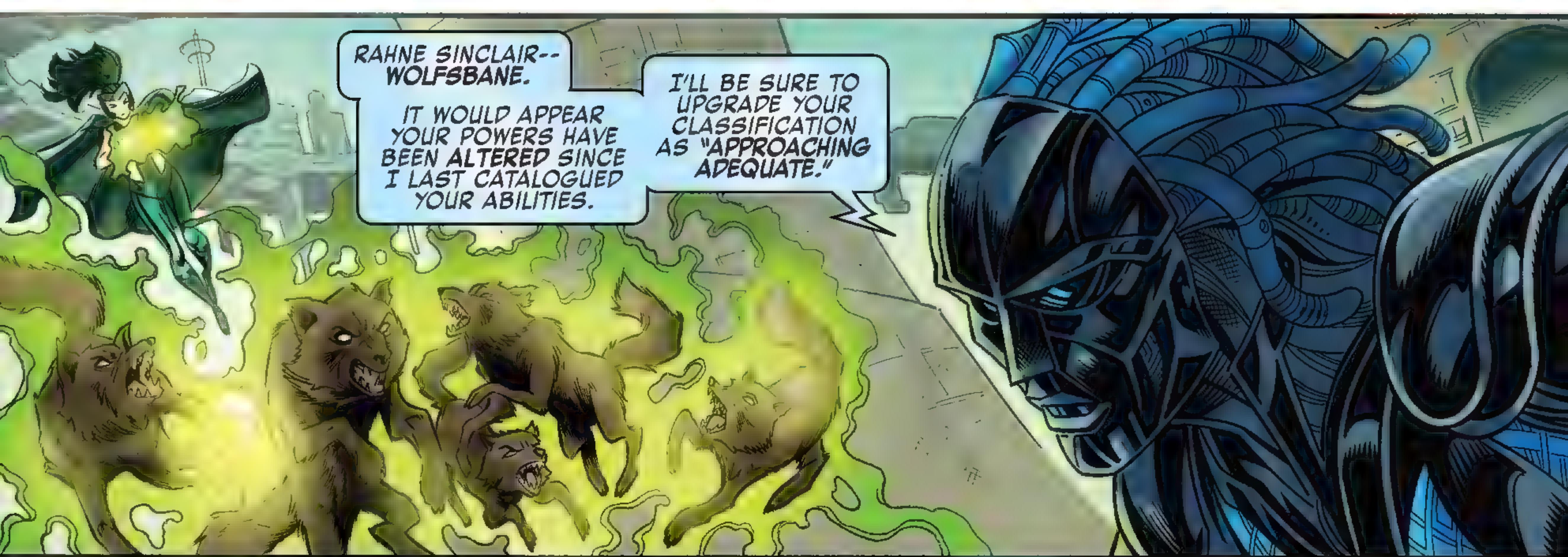
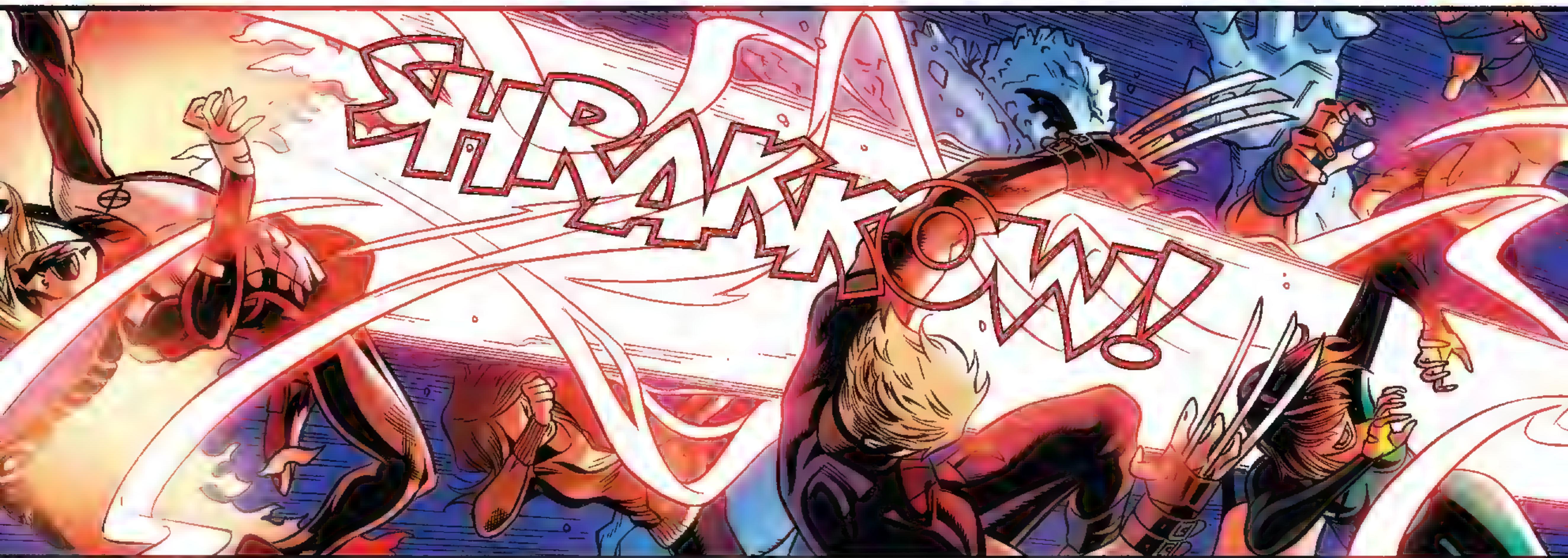












I'LL GIVE YOU LITTLE RAGAMUFFINS A MOMENT OR TWO TO WALLOW IN YOUR ASTONISHMENT.

THEN I'LL KINDLY HAVE YOUR SURRENDER.

OR WE'LL DO AWAY WITH YOU IN A MANNER MOST FINAL.

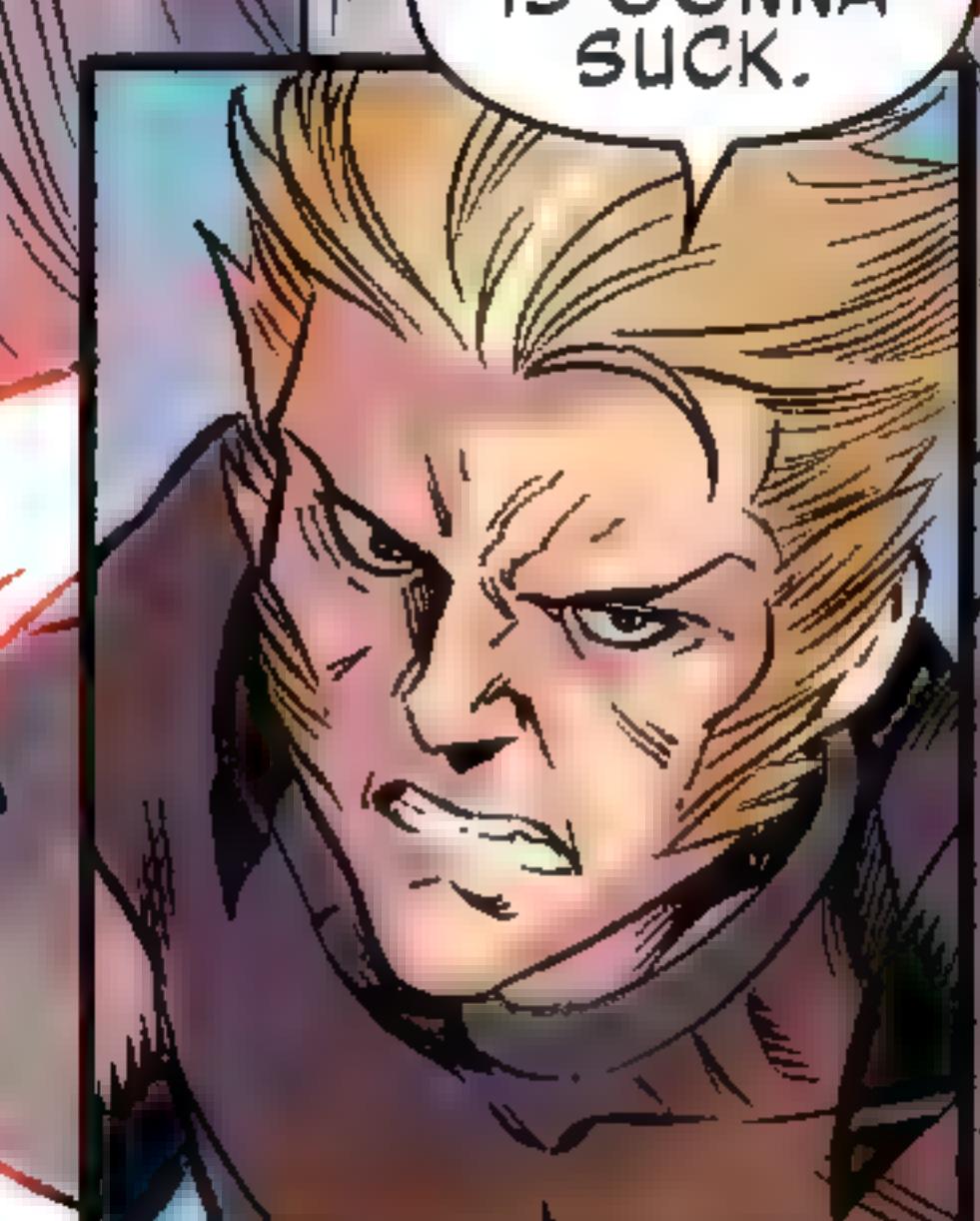
SCOTT?

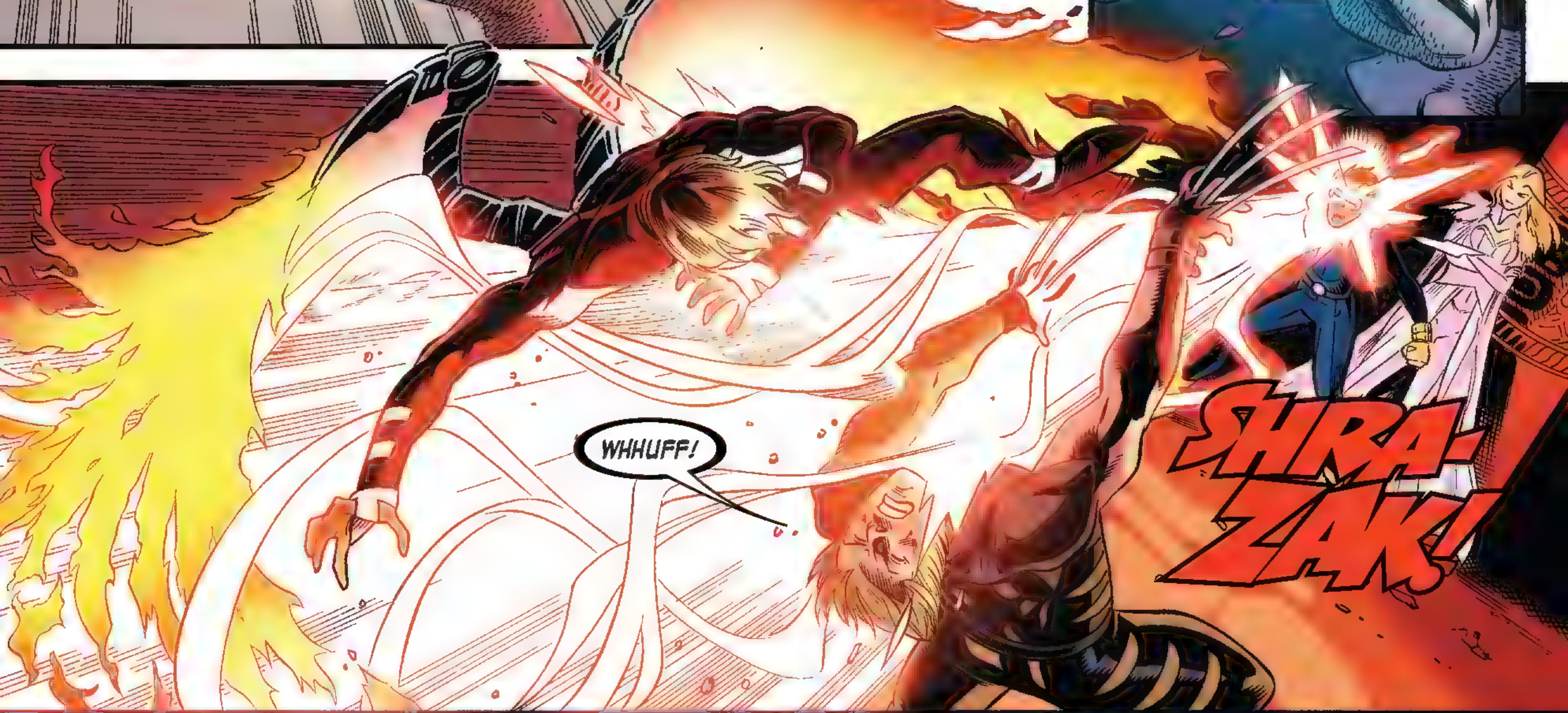
STARS AND GARTERS.

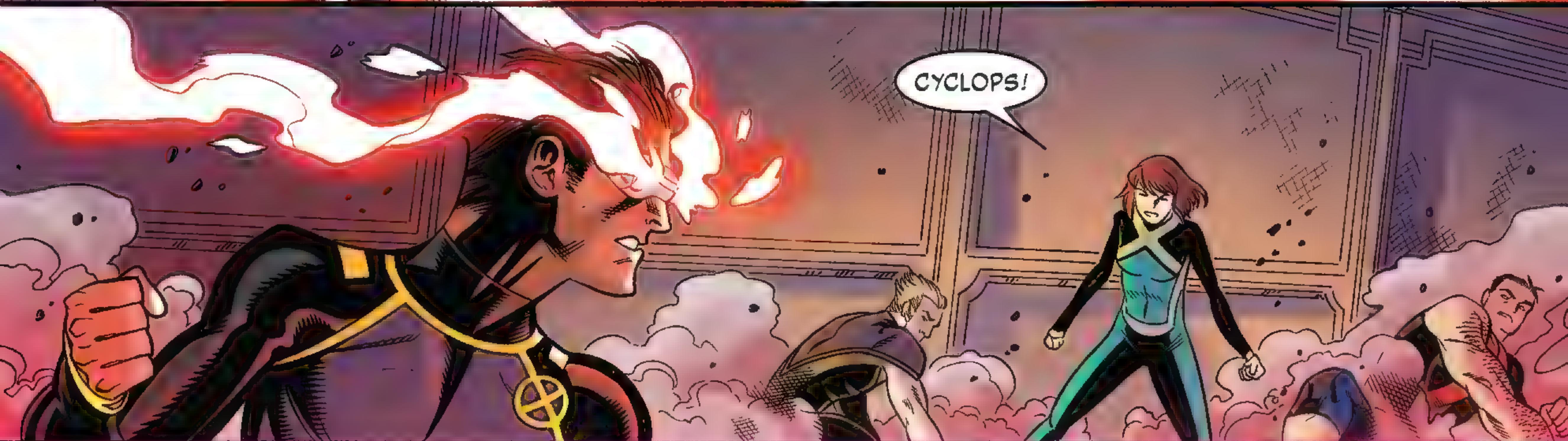
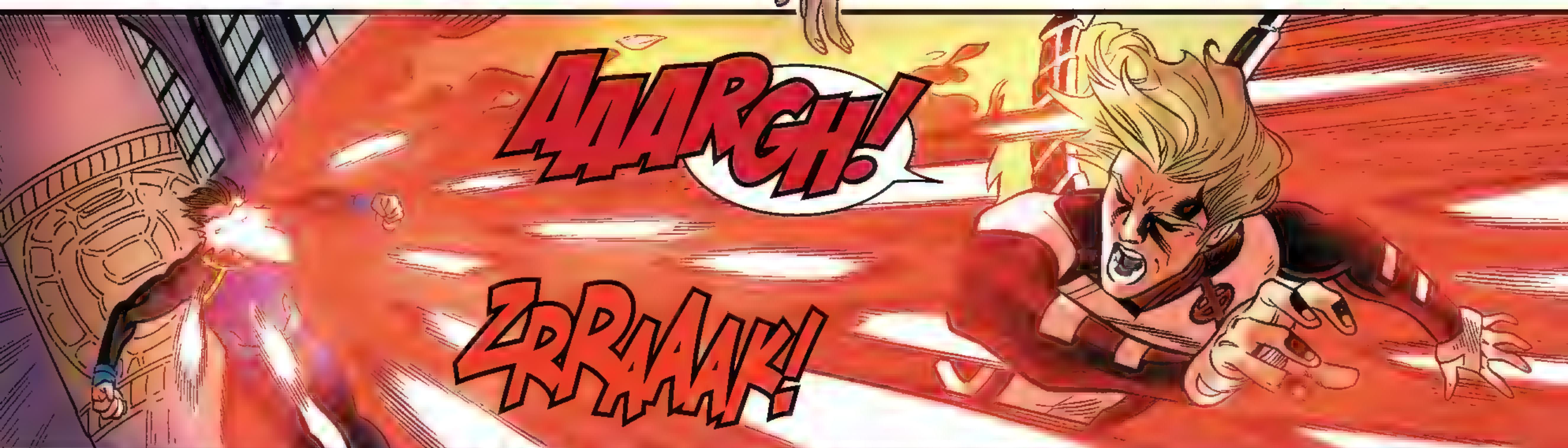
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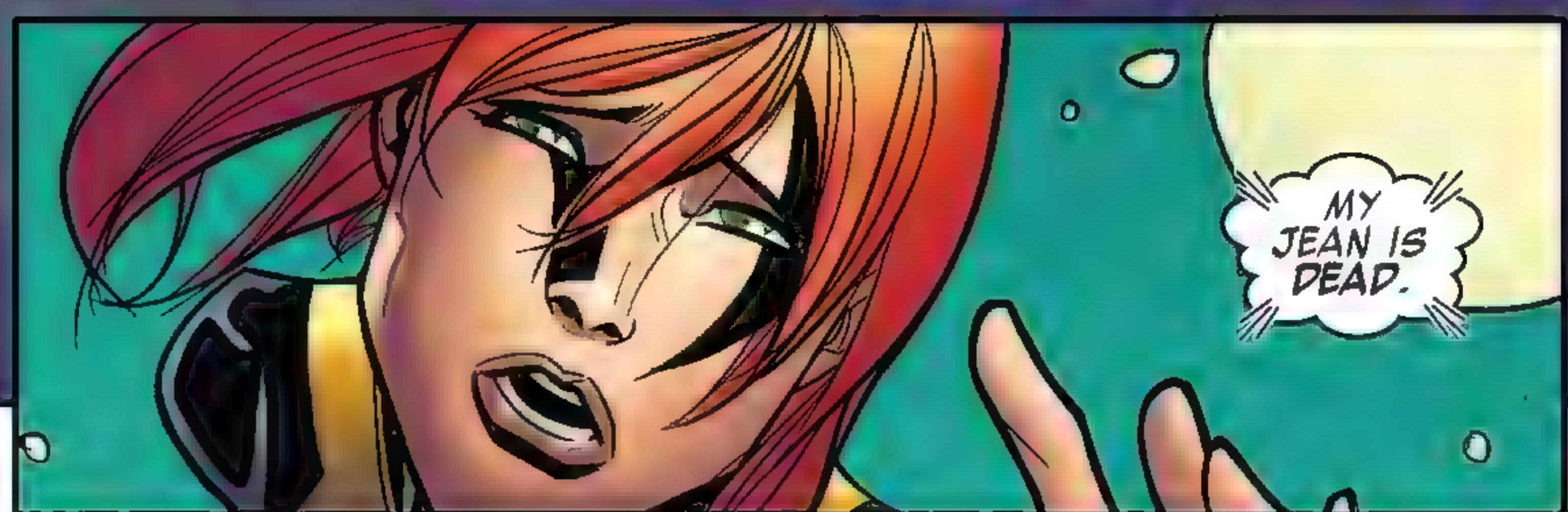
C'MON, SCOTT. YOU... YOU CAN FIGHT THIS, WHATEVER THIS IS.

WELL, THIS IS GONNA SUCK.

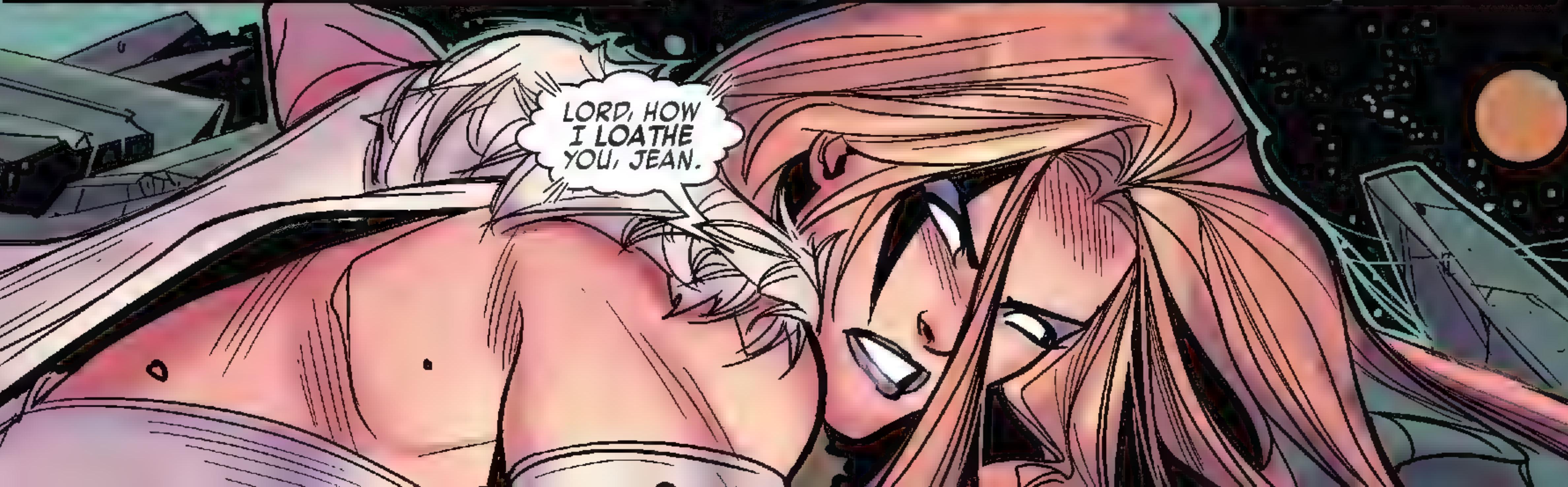
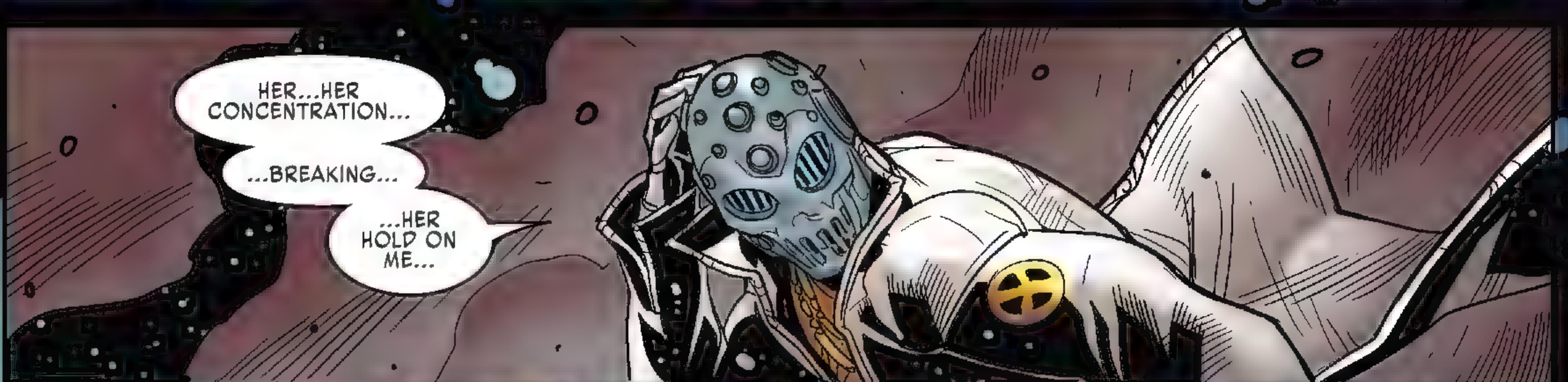
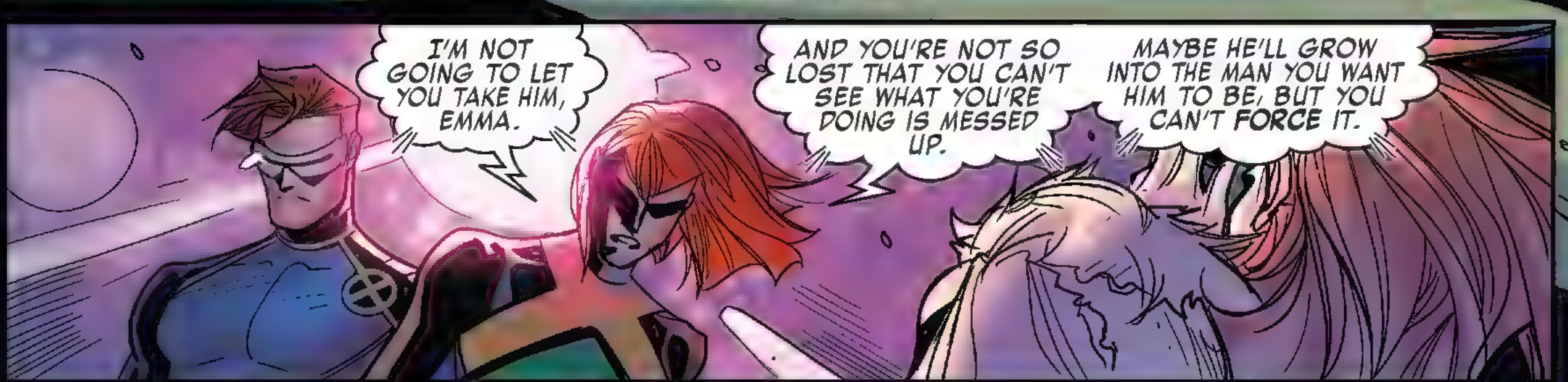






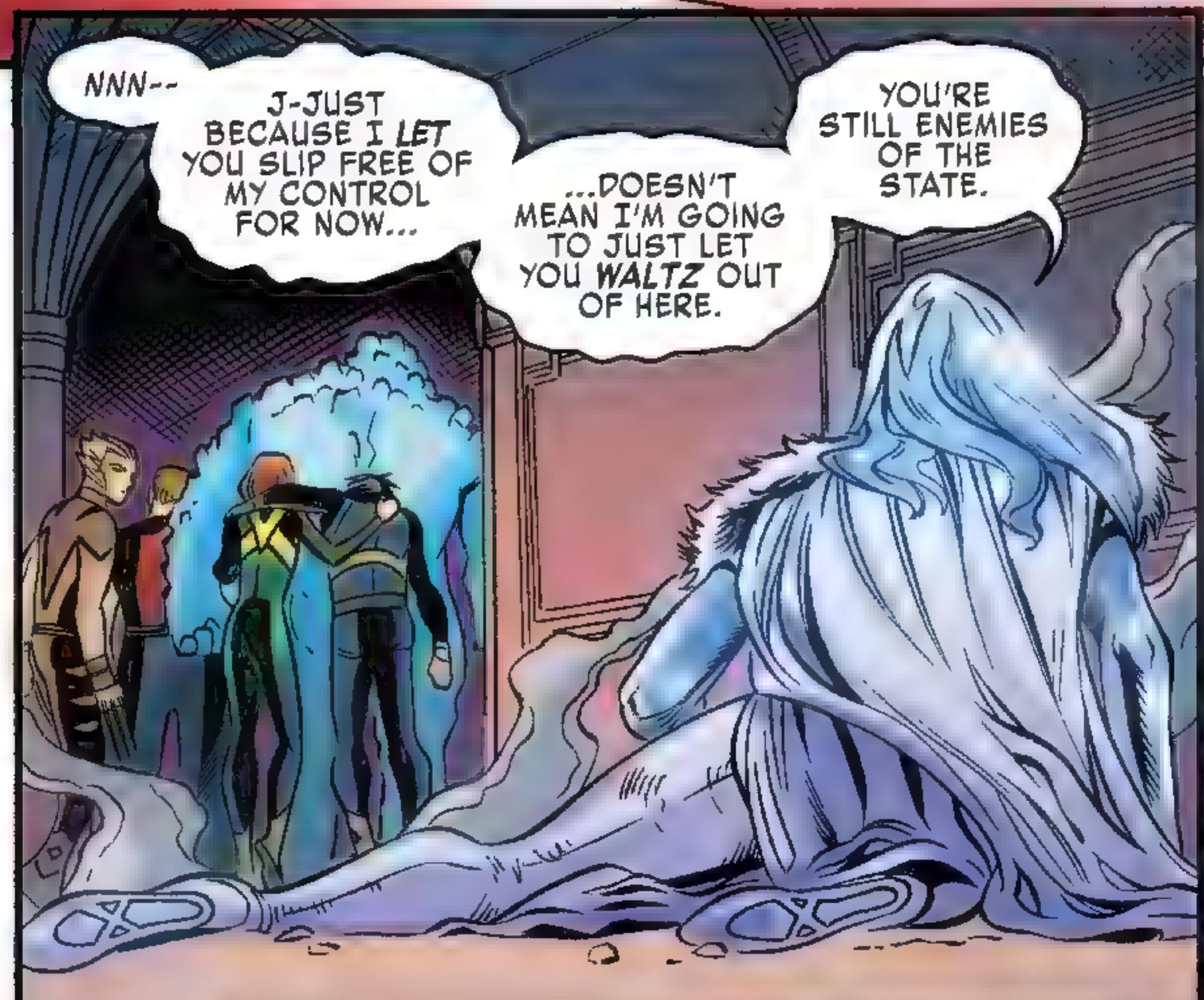


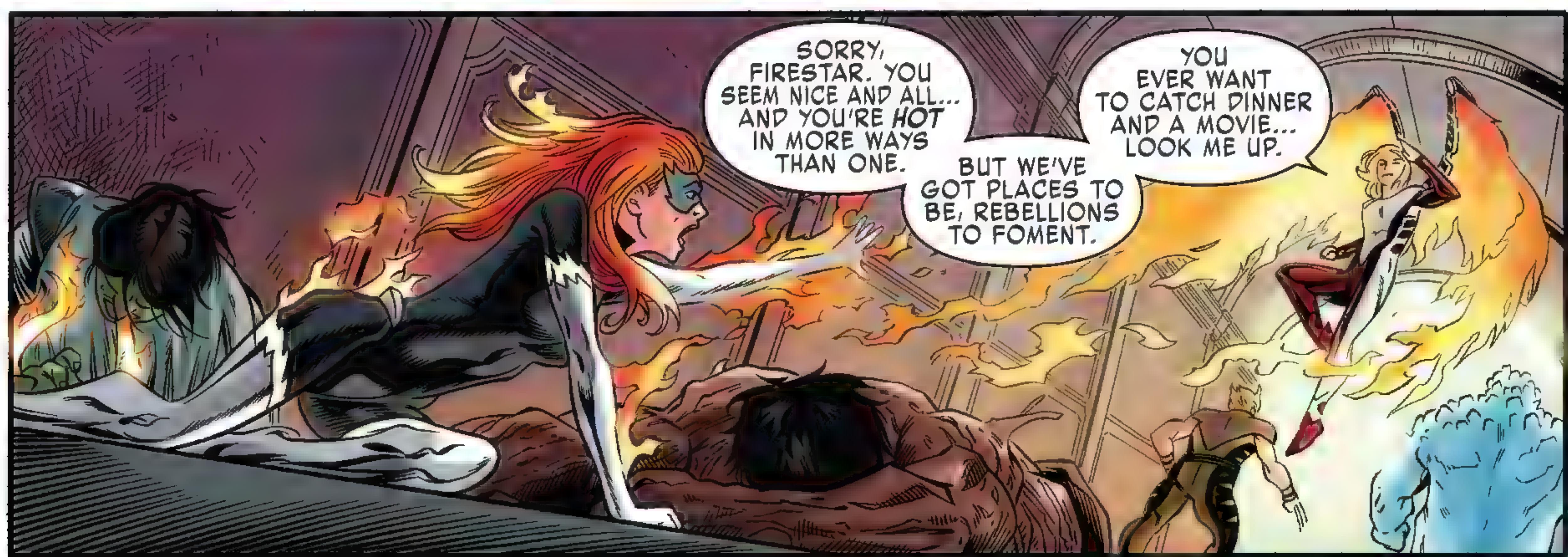




EMMA...YOU
MIGHT WANT TO
SHIFT TO YOUR
DIAMOND
FORM.

ZAKKKKOW!







ANNAMITE MOUNTAINS. VIETNAM.

I DON'T LIKE THESE REPORTS I'M HEARING OUT OF NEW TIAN, MAGNETO.

I THOUGHT WE HAD AN UNDERSTANDING.

I HAVE HONORED OUR AGREEMENT, CAPTAIN.

I CANNOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTIONS OF THE X-MEN.

THEY ARE ACTING WITHOUT SANCTION.

I FIND THAT HARD TO BELIEVE.

THIS ISN'T WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT.

YOU WERE GOING INTO RETIREMENT.

AND I WASN'T GOING TO NEED TO ELIMINATE YOU.

IF YOU COULD ACCOMPLISH THAT, CAPTAIN...

...YOU WOULDN'T HAVE STRUCK A BARGAIN WITH ME IN THE FIRST PLACE.

TAKE CARE WITH YOUR THREATS.

FOR IF THE X-MEN WERE ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH MY WISHES...

...I WOULD HATE FOR THEM TO TURN THEIR ATTENTION AWAY FROM NEW TIAN...

...AND TOWARD THE BLASPHEMY YOU CALL HYDRA'S AMERICA.

**BENEATH
UTOPIA.**

...AND
WHAT ABOUT
XORN?
HE'S UNDER
CONTROL ONCE
MORE.

ALTHOUGH
MY HOLD ON HIM
IS FRACTURED
AT BEST.

EVEN WITH THE
ADDED POWER OF
THE COSMIC CUBE
FRAGMENT, I CAN'T KEEP
HIM REIGNED IN FOR LONG.

NOT THAT IT
MATTERS.

NEW TIAN IS
ON BORROWED
TIME. WE BOTH
KNOW IT.

SOON
IT WILL BE JUST
AS RUINED AS THE
ATLANTEAN SPIRE THAT
KEEPS UTOPIA AFLOAT.

IT'S ALL
COMING APART,
YES.

BUT IT GAVE US
WHAT WE NEEDED
FOR THE TIME
BEING.

THIS
"MUTANT
HOMELAND" HAS
SERVED ITS
PURPOSE.

**MISS
SINISTER.**

BASTION.

WE'VE HAD
ENOUGH RAW
MATERIAL TO
TEST OUR
FINDINGS.

NOW WE
MOVE ON
TO STAGE
TWO.

WE'RE TAKING
MOTHERVINE
GLOBAL.

**NEXT:
DOUBLE DOUBLE,
TOIL AND TROUBLE**

HOUSE OF X

At any given day while walking down the HALLS OF X, I can't help but be amazed at all the uncanny stories our characters have been through. The sheer amount of imagination that's fueled epic missions, shocking demises, unexpected returns, tragic romances, jaw-dropping betrayals and acts of inspiring, selfless heroism is enough to power a small sun. As a reader I could hardly wait for the next issue. I'd scour the pages over and over for any hint or sign as to what might be in store for our misfortunate and misunderstood mutant heroes. I loved it when a writer, artist or editor would drop a subtle clue and get my speculative juices flowing.

In the past week I've walked down the Halls of X with some extremely imaginative storytellers. A few days ago, Greg Pak and Fred Van Lente came in to plan a special arc in WEAPON X. The next day Charles Soule came in to map out some amazing twists and turns coming in ASTONISHING X-MEN. About 24 hours ago, I met with a writer (who must remain anonymous) about some huge plans we have for the end of the year.

And, dear reader, I can't help but want to tell you about these incredible plans! I can, after all, appreciate a good near spoiler. But, alas, since I've taken an oath of secrecy I can only do my second favorite thing to editing X-Men comics and that's... to give you clues as to what's coming up in X-Men comics! For some arbitrary reason, let's do five:

Red!

Switch!

Mother!

Negative!

Seáncel!

X-MEN GOLD:

By Marc Guggenheim and Lan Medina. Kitty Pryde takes charge and leads a new team into a heroic age!
Issue #10!

X-MEN BLUE:

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Issue #10!

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JEAN GREY:

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